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**Samuel J. Tilden,**  
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FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,  
**Thos. A. Hendricks,**  
OF INDIANA.

**Business Notice.**

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ROBERT LINCOLN, son of the late President Lincoln, will stamp the State seal on the Resumption Act, will give Ohio and Indiana to the Democrats.

It is said, and by some Republicans, that the passage of the bill to repeal the Resumption Act, will give Ohio and Indiana to the Democrats, certain.

THERE is said to be more than one hundred members of Congress absent from their places. Election time coming on, they run home to run their claims for the next time. It is a shame.

General Frank Siegel has declared for Tilden, and the gallant German soldiers who followed him in the late war have girded on their armor and taken up the refrain of the old war song, "We go to fight mit Siegel."

It is now agreed that Congress will not adjourn before the first of August. If the Judiciary Committee should decide that Secretary Robeson can be impeached, it is doubtful if there is any adjournment before fall, as Republican Senators insist that the trial should follow that of Belknap. That is the only contingency that now seems likely to prolong the session.

**Public Speaking.**  
Hon. C. T. Allen, Democratic elector for this District, is announced to address the people of this county, on the political issues of the Presidential campaign, to day, at the court house. He is a talented, interesting, and well posted speaker, and we should be glad for him to have a good crowd. The day appointed is unfortunate in this respect, nevertheless, let us many turn out as possible. The ladies are invited and respectfully requested to attend.

P.S.—Remember the Club meeting at night at City Hall.

We have no authority to change the appointment of Mr. Allen, but think it highly improbable that he can reach here, in time for his day appointment; and if he should he will be strongly urged to speak at Mud Creek barbecue instead.

The people of the First District must be satisfied with the present, as they are troubled in the squabbles of a tribe of small-beer office-hunters. The COURIER is unreasonable in its demand for speakers, who are here to hunt office-holders, who want jobs and salaries. There would be no Democratic Tilden Reform party.—*Louisville Commercial*.

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**Talk About Conventions.**  
The public will has been so often outraged by the conduct of the people that it is hardly dignified to speak of them. Conventions are too often managed by one-side politicians and selfish world-leaders. The *Humboldt Herald* is opposed to them. The *Courier* (Ky.) COURIER is not in favor of them, and our dear Clint Atkiss publicly expresses his preference for primary elections.—*Dixie Gazette*.

Just so; the Hickman COURIER is not in favor of Conventions except in cases of absolute necessity. The will of the people is often defeated by fraud and trickery and the cunning of political shysters. Yet, this should not lead one to blindly oppose all party arbitration. The people can prevent fraud if they will, through primary elections or the pre-emptive delegate system. We had sometimes better take the chances of defeat in our own party, than to be defeated by the Republicans.

**Republicans Laughing at Us!**  
The Hickman COURIER, a Democratic organ in the First Congressional district bristles with paragraphs bemoaning its party in that locality for its disunity. The COURIER is referred in the article torn and dismembered by the wrangle for individual advancement. A party which, in its majority, split up into wrangling personal factions, would be a poor party to put down corruption and extravagance, when placed in power. It is more intent on getting spoils than making reforms.—*Louisville Commercial*.

Thus it will be seen that the leading Republican organ of Kentucky with a quick eye to the interest of its own party, "shuckles" over the Democratic dissensions in this District. It is ready to point its shafts of irony at the Hickman COURIER, or any other paper, that strives to produce harmony. We leave it to the honest democracy of this District to judge between the Hickman COURIER, and those personal partisans and papers, who are either fomenting these dissensions, or silent to them.

**Death from a Cloud.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, July 24.—A dispatch from Eureka says:

"A large portion of the South was visited by rains Thursday and Friday.

Senator McCreary has been called home by illness in his family.

**Box A. R. BOONE.**  
Is he the leader of a faction?

JULY 19, 1876.

*Editor Hickman Courier.*  
I do not believe that you would intentionally do Judge Boone injustice, but inadvertently you have. You say, in a recent issue of your paper, that there is a "leader of a faction" and "Boone forms this District." I cannot conceive how you have come to the conclusion that Boone is either the leader of, or connected with, any faction. I am quite willing to believe that he is a leader and man who refused to be governed by the rules of his party, constitutes him the leader of a faction. He has never sought to be the leader of any party, and has been a man of note, and has been a man of note, and is now ready to yield to the wishes of the party or the people, and surely has done nothing that would subject him to the criticism of any faction. The mere fact of his running against Col. Turner ought not to subject him to such a charge. Your friend, A. R. Boone.

The COURIER wishes to treat the candidates for Congress with due care; and above all to be *fair* in its representations. The line of independence acted upon by this paper was not expected to be applauded by the partisan friends of either; but to reach the truth, and to contribute our mite to the reharmonizing of the Democracy of this District, is the object aimed at. Hence, we have avoided arguing the disputed questions between the contending elements, believing that such discussions would aggravate and not harmonize existing differences. The personal organs can sneeze when their favorite takes snuff, if it is their ambition; but it is not in our line. In a critical sense the use of the word "faction" as applied to Judge Boone was incorrect; but in the sense intended, was correct. In the last race Boone was the nominee of his party, but in the present race stands only as an individual candidate. What precedes a former nomination gives him, is a question for his special supporters to argue. The convention which nominated him in the last race was *right*; or it was *wrong*. There is now the same number of candidates in the field, and the same District committee in existence that pronounced the former convention *necessary*. If they were *right*, why have they not repeated their action? Do they mean by non-action to confess that they were *wrong*? Certainly they do not claim that they were *right*, and thereby admit themselves "political cowards," afraid to face the formidable opposition to their work. If they were the party, and now yield that position, our correspondent should not object to the party of the party in power.

It is so difficult to get the general reader to read long articles on such subjects, though of vital importance to every one, that we only print the following extract from the *Courier Journal*:

The COURIER is willing to concede every compliment to Boone, Turner, Trimble, or any other candidate, that their most ardent friends may desire to bestow. They may moderate each other, but it is not our province to encourage such feuds. The rugged fact is before the people that Grant polled 6,079 votes in this District, and that neither B. T. or Tilden received that many. This is exciting the ire of the partisans of each, but it is a *suburb* to those who voted for Grant *vote* for the Republican candidate for Congress.

Our view is, that a new man would harmonize all dissensions. Such a one for instance as Dow Hushbands, of McCracken; a man of splendid abilities, large reputation, never in life an office seeker, entirely disconnected directly or remotely with past or present dissensions, and who would maintain the high fame of the Gibratlar District in Washington, so justly earned by it for Lynn Boyd, Crossland, and others. We don't care for the person however, so he is honest, capable, and in position to calm the troubled waters.

Since there has grown up such a feeling between "conventionists" and "anti-conventionists," the aspirants are true democrats, if they hold the interest of democracy above individual advancement, should suggest and agree upon a plan for harmony.

**The Oppressed.**

The farmers in the First Democratic Gibratlar district of this State are the greatest sufferers on the continent. They are getting ninety cents a bushel for wheat, and have plenty of grain and home, yet they get from two to five dollars a hundred for their tobacco, and there is not one of them in a hundred who pays any tax to the National Government. They are compelled to pay a heavy tax on a letter, or a two-cent stamp on a bank check. The annuals of European despots can show no oppression under the sun. They need help, and the people of the Gibratlar district are the mean the bloodiest of iron-bound tyrannies—like that of these much-suffering Democratic farmers of the district. Lynn Boyd, of the Gibratlar, and others, like him, a generation ago, will our Uncle the Hickman COURIER call on Uncle Sam to drop a subscription for their relief?—*Louisville Commercial*.

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A Late Dispatch from Gen. Crook—*The Stone in Strong Force*

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